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It is Lordship of Somerset for the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary  
of this Province that Now is for the body of Somerset County upon their  
Cath do present that Isaac Stephens late of Steyning parish in the  
County of Dorset the twenty fifth day of May One thousand Seven hundred & twenty  
four at the parish aforesaid in the County of Dorset within the Jurisdiction of this Court did daringly slyly  
Covetously and Duplically pay unto a certain John King One packed hogshead of tobacco  
without bearing the full weight of the Cuntry £10. Cut or marked on the Bulge of said  
Hogshead against the peace of Our Said Lord Proprietary his good Law & Dignity and also  
against the form of the act of Assembly in such case made & provided &  
Lawn Hall Court prooy.

Whereupon Command was given to the Sheriff of Somerset County that he should take the  
said Isaac Stephens late of Steyning parish in the County of Dorset if he should be  
found in his County and him should safe keep so that he might have his Body  
before the Justice of his Lordships County Court of Somerset to be held at Devizes  
reck the third Tuesday of November next to answer unto a certain presentment against him  
found & that therof he should not fail &

At which said third Tuesday of November being the Seventeenth day of the same Month  
and Anno One thousand Seven hundred & Twenty four Comer the Sheriff of Somerset County and  
made to turn thereof to the Court there Edicted in these words vizt - Cap: George for dor: Wofford J:is:

Whereupon the said Isaac Stephens by George Dashell his attorney Comer & says that  
of the premises aforesaid he is guilty therof and pray that he may be admitted to make sue to the Lord Pro-  
prietary for the sake of it Wherefore it is Ordered by the Court that the said Isaac Stephens be  
fined to his Lordship the sum of Six hundred pounds of tobacco for the sake aforesaid Whereupon the  
said Isaac Stephens is Ordered to give Security for the sum aforesaid & all the Officers fees  
and charges by occasion of the premises aforesaid thereupon a certain George Dashell of Somerset  
County present in Court undertaken for the said Isaac Stephens to pay the sum aforesaid and  
all the Officers fees due by occasion of the premises &

W<sup>m</sup> Hudson's Recognizance} William Hudson appears according to his Recognizance Entered into  
for his appearance this Court, and pray that his appearance may  
be recorded, which is granted and he accordingly discharged vizt. Whereupon the said W<sup>m</sup>  
(Hudson)